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**PETITION OF NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC
SERVICE CO. FOR APPROVAL OF A PURCHASED
POWER AND TRANSMISSION TRACKER
MECHANISM TO TRACK THE COSTS OF
PURCHASED POWER TO MEET PETITIONER'S
RETAIL ELECTRIC LOAD REQUIREMENTS AND
CHARGES IMPOSED ON PETITIONER BY MIDWEST
INDEPENDENT TRANSMISSION SYSTEM
OPERATOR, INC. AND GRIDAMERICA LLC.**

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INDIANA UTILITY
REGULATORY COMMISSION
CAUSE NO. 42658

You are hereby notified that on this date the Presiding Officers in this Cause make the following Entry:

On April 18, 2005, Intervenor, LaPorte County filed its *Motion for Extension of Time* ("Motion") in this Cause. In its Motion the Intervenor requests the Commission grant an extension for it, all Intervenor and the OUCC to file their proposed Orders and extend the deadline for NIPSCO to file its reply. Counsel for LaPorte County indicates he has contacted counsel for the OUCC, and the OUCC has no objection to an extension. Counsel for LaPorte County has also contacted NIPSCO's counsel regarding this extension and NIPSCO is considering the request but has not had sufficient time to make a decision on the request prior to the filing of this Motion.

Having reviewed the Motion, the Presiding Officer finds that the Motion should be granted. The OUCC and Intervenor should file their proposed orders on or before May 2, 2005. Petitioner should file its reply on or before June 2, 2005.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Scott R. Storms, Chief Administrative Law Judge

April 21, 2005
Date